Resolution authorizing the second and last annual payment to Audubon Ohio for furniture, fixture and equipment (FF&E) of the Grange Insurance Audubon Center (Community Partnerships) (\$500,000)

WHEREAS, Audubon Ohio works to conserve and restore natural ecosystems, with a high priority of habitats that support and protect birds and other wildlife in Ohio, by promoting conservation and biodiversity through education and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Audubon Ohio has created the Grange Insurance Audubon Center, a key component of a broad plan to redevelop the Whittier Peninsula south of downtown Columbus through transformational urban reclamation and eco-system restoration; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to support Audubon Ohio as it creates this urban green space where children, families and adults will learn about the environment, natural history, birds and other wildlife, and is so authorized by Section 307.761 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, this expenditure is in line with the environmental principles of Resolution 683-06, and will contribute to the economic growth of downtown Columbus and promote a healthy environment for the residents of Franklin County; now, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

1. The attached purchase order in the amount of \$500,000, which is individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List and the last payment of the two-year \$1,000,000 contract, is hereby approved.

Prepared by Kate Matheny

Cc: Auditor

Audubon Ohio